

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, and 9-12 are now pending in the present application. By the present response, claims 1, 6-7, 9, and 11-12 are amended and claims 3 and 8 are cancelled. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 102, Anticipation

Claims 1, 2, 6, and 9-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by **Raman** (U.S. Patent 6,134,598). This rejection is respectfully traversed. However, the Examiner has indicated allowable subject matter in dependent claims 3-5 and 7-8. In response, the subject matter of claim 3 has been incorporated into claim 1 and the subject matter of claim 8 has been incorporated into claim 6. Additionally, independent claim 9 has been amended to incorporate subject matter corresponding to amended claim 1. Therefore, because all independent claims now incorporate subject matter that has been indicated to be allowable, the rejection of these claims is overcome.

II. Conclusion

The subject application is now patentable over **Raman** and is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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